

## Delaware Citizen Corps

After September 11, 2001 and more recent disasters of our Gulf Coast from Hurricanes Katrina & Rita of 2005, America witnessed a wellspring of selflessness and heroism. People in every corner of the country asked, "What can I do?" and "How can I help?". Citizen Corps was created to help all Americans answer these questions through public education, community outreach, training, and volunteer service. Citizen Corps asks you to embrace the personal responsibility to be prepared.

### What is Delaware Citizen Corps?

Citizen Corps is the grass-roots movement that actively involves everyone in making communities across Delaware safer, stronger and better prepared. We all have a role to play in keeping our communities safe and secure. Citizen Corp provides opportunities for volunteers to prepare and train.

### What Can I Do to Support Family Safety and Community Preparedness?

- **Community Emergency Response Teams (CERT):** *Join a CERT to help people immediately after a disaster and assist emergency responders whenever needed.*
- **Volunteers in Police Services (VIPS):** *Volunteer to support local law enforcement through Volunteers in Police Services.*
- **Neighborhood Watch (NWP):** *Join a Neighborhood Watch group to help with crime prevention, terrorism awareness and neighborhood emergency preparedness.*
- **Medical Reserve Corps (MRC):** *Volunteer with MRC to provide public and medical support throughout the year and during emergencies.*
- **Fire Corps (FC):** *Provide fire safety and prevention education in the community and support your local fires stations through Fire Corps.*
- **Communication Corps (CC):** *a Delaware cooperative organization that coordinates activities and interoperability between volunteer communication assets and organizations.*

### HOW DO I GET STARTED?

All over Delaware communities have organized Citizens Corps Councils to inspire people to take action and get involved in homeland security, community preparedness and family safety. You can take simple steps to be prepared for emergencies, seek out training opportunities and volunteer to help local emergency responders. For complete information about Citizens Corps Councils, Programs and Partners visit: [www.citizencorps.gov](http://www.citizencorps.gov).